

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order:

00:00:34 **CHAIRMAN RON STOKER**, on January 9, 2009 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Ron Stoker, Chairman (R)
Rep. Deborah Kottel, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Ken Peterson, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)
Rep. Gerald Bennett (R)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. David Howard (R)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Margaret MacDonald (D)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Mike Menahan (D)
Rep. Michael More (R)
Rep. Keith Regier (R)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Bob Wagner (R)
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Anders Blewett (D).

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Jennifer Eck, Committee Secretary
David Niss, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 122, 1/6/2009
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 122

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:17 **REP. MIKE MENAHAN (D)**, HD 82, opened the hearing on **HB 122**, Revise false claims act.

00:08:23 Chairman Stoker

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:31 Ali Bovington, Attorney General's Office
EXHIBIT(juh05a01)

00:09:43 Chairman Stoker

00:09:52 Jon Ellingson, Assistant Attorney General

00:18:48 Chairman Stoker

00:19:02 Jeff Buska, Department of Health and Human Services
EXHIBIT(juh05a02)

00:20:02 Chairman Stoker

00:20:07 Mr. Buska

00:22:09 Chairman Stoker

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:22:41 Rep. Kottel

00:22:52 Mr. Ellingson

00:22:57 Rep. Kottel

00:23:13 Mr. Ellingson

00:23:25 Rep. Kottel

00:24:39 Mr. Ellingson

00:25:53 Rep. Kottel

00:25:54 Chairman Stoker

00:25:56 Rep. Kottel

00:26:10 Mr. Ellingson

00:27:05 Rep. Kottel

00:27:06 Chairman Stoker

00:27:10 Rep. Regier

00:27:16 Rep. Macdonald

00:27:48 Mr. Ellingson

00:28:20 Chairman Stoker

00:28:23 Rep. Regier

00:28:29 Chairman Stoker
00:28:30 Rep. Regier
00:29:03 Rep. Ellingson
00:30:20 Chairman Stoker
00:30:25 Rep. Ebinger
00:30:45 Rep. Ellingson
00:30:52 Rep. Ebinger
00:30:54 Chairman Stoker

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:05 Rep. Menahan

Informational Discussion:

00:34:23 Chairman Stoker
00:35:50 Rep. Kottel
00:36:07 Chairman Stoker
00:36:20 Rep. Kottel

ADJOURNMENT

00:36:23 Adjournment

JENNIFER ECK, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([juh05aad.pdf](#))